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May 18, 1992

The Hon. Gerry E. Studds
237 Cannon House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Studds:

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I am dismayed to hear of current legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives that would exclude WSHH, Channel 66 from "Must Carry" protection simply because they are affiliated with the Home Shopping Network.

As a community leader and immediate past State Media Representative for the Massachusetts Dietetic Association (a non-profit state chapter of the American Dietetic Association), I am more than satisfied with WSHH's response to the interests, needs and concerns of the community. Through their professionally produced public affairs segments, titled "In Your Interest," citizens are informed hourly about issues that affect their daily lives.

I have worked with WSHH on more than 19 four-minute "In Your Interest" pieces, seen eight to ten times a day by viewers. Of all the media I have worked with, WSHH has been the most receptive to educating the public about healthy eating habits.

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Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

Sincerely,

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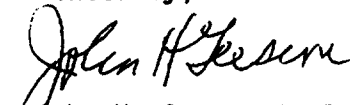
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Sincerely,



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As Executive Director of a not-for-profit service organization in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I urge you to convince your fellow colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to not exclude WSHH, Channel 66 from "Must Carry" protection simply because they are affiliated with the Home Shopping Network.

WSHH responds to the interests, needs and concerns of our community. Through their professionally produced public affairs segments, titled "In Your Interest", our citizens are informed hourly about issues that affect their daily lives. Last year TV 66 offered to do a PSA for Recording for the Blind to appeal for more volunteers to put texts on tape for print-handicapped people. They spent two days at the recording studio in East Cambridge and produced an excellent PSA which ran repeatedly and brought many calls inquiring about how to become a volunteer.

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Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

Sincerely,



Debra A. Coleman
Executive Director
Boston Studio

cc: Jane Woodhouse ✓

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May 27, 1992

The Honorable Gerry E. Studds
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Studds:

As a resident of Massachusetts, I have always been impressed by the quality of the "In Your Interest" segments produced by WHSH, Channel 66, and the quantity of invaluable local information imparted to our community in these programs. It is of great concern to me that there is presently a bill being considered by Congress to deny "Must Carry" protection to WHSH, Channel 66. Not only is WHSH a television station that provides a much needed service to the disabled, the elderly, and the housebound by offering them the opportunity to shop at home, it also extends to the general public a wide variety of information regarding local issues and other services that are available to everybody in our community.

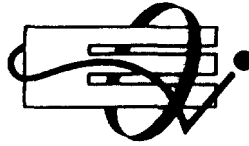
I strongly recommend that if you have not already done so, you view some of these "In Your Interest" documentaries that are aired every hour by this station or, better still, ask WHSH to send you a selection on video. Once you have had a chance to view them, I am sure that you will want to ensure that this type of quality programming will not be sacrificed by WHSH's being excluded from "Must Carry" protection. I am dismayed that you and your colleagues would consider passing a bill that would deny to a small and vulnerable segment of our community, the elderly and the disabled, a service upon which it has grown to depend.

Sincerely,



Frank Woodhouse

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Employment Options, Inc.

May 26, 1992

Representative Gerry E. Studds
237 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Studds:

As a Director of Employment Options, a non-profit agency servicing the mentally ill, I am concerned about the "Must Carry" legislation currently under consideration and would urge you to not exclude WSHS, Channel 66 from "Must Carry" protection.

WSHS Channel 66 has played a significant role in responding to the interests, needs, and concerns of our community. It is through their professionally produced public affairs segments, titled "In Your Interest" that citizens of our communities have often received their very first information about our agency and how the needs of those less fortunate are served.

I would be very disappointed, if through a lack of information, members of congress deny "Must Carry" status to WSHS, Channel 66. The value of the organization and staff of WSHS, with relation to community service, is immeasurable. We, as an agency, could not begin to replace the service they have given so freely.

Thank you in advance for your attention.

Sincerely,

Bernard J. Buchalter
Director of Training and Development

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cc: Jane Woodhouse



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May 18, 1992

The Honorable Chester G. Atkins
123 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-2105

Dear Congressman Atkins:

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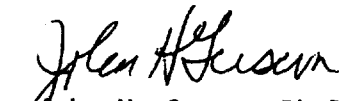
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June 2, 1992

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123 Cannon House Office Building
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Dear Representative Atkins:

As a person active in the community in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I would urge you to convince your fellow members of Congress to not exclude WSHS, Channel 66, from "Must Carry" protection simply because of their affiliation with the Home Shopping Network.

WSHS produced one program about "meals on wheels" that explained the program very carefully and has been a big help in recruiting volunteers. The channel also prepared a program on the recuperation of one older accident victim and her involvement in fundraising for meals on wheels. Both programs were remarkably professional, and we have recieved comments on them from throughout the state.

I would like to encourage you to investigate the public service record

STEPHEN BARAN
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The Honorable Joseph D. Early
2349 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Early:


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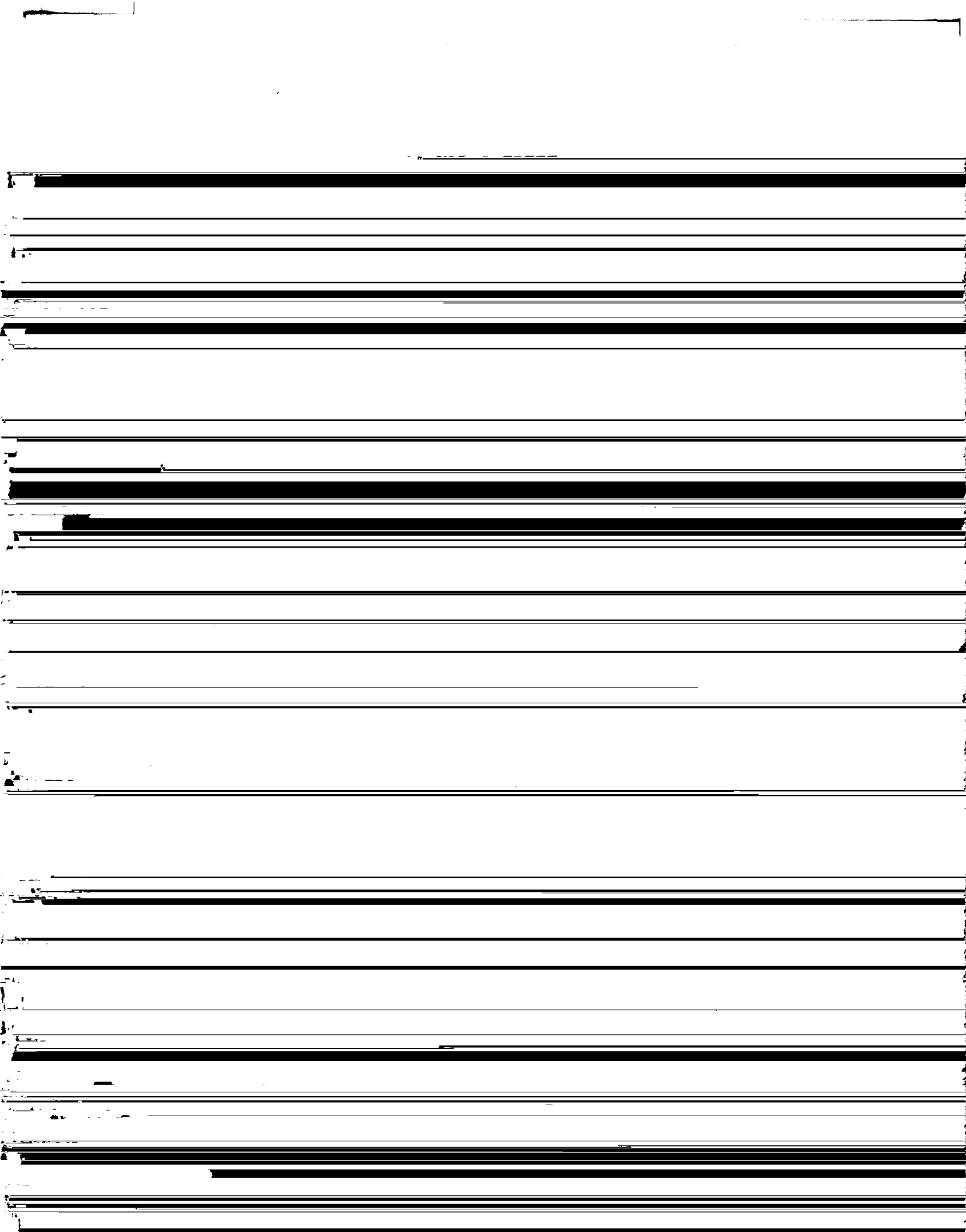
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The Honorable Joseph P. Kennedy, III
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U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
EASTERN REGIONAL CENTER

10 Causeway St. Rm. 224
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May 21, 1992

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235 Cannon House Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Moakley,

I am writing to ask you and your colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to not exclude WSHH, Channel 66 from "Must Carry" protection simply because they are affiliated with the Home Shopping Network.

WSHH's "In Your Interest" has consistently informed consumers of various product safety issues. Recalled products are often demonstrated; information on general issues such as toy safety, poison prevention and home heating safety are highlighted. In fact, Channel 66 received a public service award from the Commission's Eastern Regional Office in April.

We ask that you do not deny "Must Carry" status to WSHH, Channel 66. Compare WSHH's public service to other local broadcast stations and you will be pleasantly surprised at the amount of time this station devotes to serving the community.

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Sincerely,

Barbara McEachern
Public Affairs Specialist
Boston Resident Post

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The Honorable Brian J. Donnelly
2229 Rayburn House Office Building
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The Honorable Nicholas Mavroules
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Dear Congressman Mavroules:

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The Honorable Frank Barney
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KATHLEEN REILLY

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When SLOW...please!!! started its grassroots public safety program in 1988, getting anyone to listen to us was very difficult ~~with~~ ~~long~~ ~~a~~ ~~television~~ ~~station~~. But Francesca